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Miami Beach Continues Moving Forward

Florida's "Most Walkable City" Holds Meeting on Dade Boulevard Bike Path Project

WHEN: Tuesday, September 20, 2011
TIME: 6:00 p.m.
WHERE: 1755 Meridian Avenue, third floor (entrance on 18 Street & Meridian Avenue)

As part of the Miami Beach Mobility Master Plan (MMP), Miami Beach Public Works Department will hold a community meeting on the Dade Boulevard Bike Path project. The project will extend a shared pedestrian/ bike path along Dade Boulevard, adjacent to the Collins Canal, from the 17 Street bridge to Convention Center Drive.

Improvements will include the raising of the existing seawall to address sea level rise, a permeable concrete path, new landscaping, and improved lighting using environmentally friendly LED fixtures.

Despite its ever-increasing popularity as one of the world's top destinations for living and playing, Miami Beach is also highly rated on the mobility list thanks to a host of forward-thinking projects envisioned by city leaders and planners over the last decade.

One of the largest mobility projects undertaken by the City to date, the MMP is addressing everything from traffic-flow to alternate modes of transportation, parking issues and more bicycle and pedestrian-driven solutions for the city.

The MMP is the first comprehensive transportation master plan to address citywide mobility needs since the 1920s. It has accomplished approximately 65 percent of its projects, with more to come. Sidewalks, street repairs and the addition of many more crosswalks striped over the last decade at major intersections throughout the city have sparked an increase in pedestrian traffic all. Today, many more residents and visitors walk and ride bikes to access goods and services, culture and recreation locally.

Most recently, Seattle-based Walk Score named Miami Beach the best city for getting around on foot in Florida. The Walk Score rating was the result of a survey that looked at the country's 50 largest cities and how easily residents could access goods and services within short distances, using a scale of 100 to rank walkability. Miami Beach scored 75 out of 100 in walkability and the 33139 area scored 86.

For more information on the public meeting, please contact Lynn Bernstein, 305.673.7010 | lynnbernstein@miamibeachfl.gov.

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